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Weekend Report from R8

Columbia Falls Aluminum Plant, Montana – This week, Region 8 announced a final agreement to investigate contamination at the Columbia Falls Aluminum Plant, also known as the Anaconda Company Columbia Falls Reduction Plant site, in Flathead County, Montana. Under the terms of the agreement, the site's current owner, Columbia Falls Aluminum Company, will conduct a comprehensive investigation of soils, river sediments, and ground and surface water to determine the nature and extent of contamination at the site. The company will reimburse EPA for its future costs in overseeing the investigation. This is an issue that Sen. Tester's office had contacted us about and expressed strong interest in. From all indications, the announcement and subsequent media went very well.

Pavillion, WY – Wyoming DEQ has not yet issued its final Pavillion report, however we just learned from Todd Parfitt that it may now be finalized next week. DEQ plans to provide us an advance copy shortly before it goes public.

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